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HARMONY CEMETERY.

A LARGE MEETING OF THE LOT OWN-
ERS. SELF CONSTITUTED BOARD
OF TRUSTEES REMOVED. THEY
EVADED ALL QUESTIONS PROPOUNDED.
BROOKS MAKES A LONG
SPEECH. INDIGNATION OF THE
PEOPLE. \$6,000 NOT ANSWERED
FOR. \$2,000 GIVEN AS A COM-
PROMISE. A FRAUDULENT SCHEME
TO DECEIVE THE PEOPLE.

The little church situated at the
corner of 17th and P sts., n. w.,
known as the Plymouth Congre-
gational church was pretty well
filled last Monday evening with
lot owners and friends of the Har-
mony cemetery. The object of
the meeting was to consider the
action of the self constituted board
of trustees. The meeting was called
to order by W. Syphax, who
read the call and requested that
a chairman be elected. W. H.
Bruce nominated Carter A. Stew-
art Sr., chairman, and Sidney Her-
bert nominated W. Calvin Chase
secretary. On taking the chair
Mr. Stewart wanted to know
whether lot owners had rights
which should be respected or
whether a self constituted board
of trustees should compromise the
rights and liberties of lot owners.
The meeting, said he, was called
in the interest of the lot owners of
Harmony Cemetery. After in-
forming the people of what
should be done, Mr. Lock was in-
troduced and read the history of
the alleged Harmony Association
and certain deeds by which the
ground was held, claiming that
the lot owners had been defrauded
and their remedy was to go to
court; that no set of men could
use a public burial grounds for
private purposes or personal gain.
After satisfying the lot owners
that they had rights that should
be respected, Mr. Archie Lewis,
one of the self constituted trustees
got the floor and made a statement.
He was asked by Mr. Syphax
whether he was speaking for the
self constituted board of trustees
or for himself? In reply Mr.
Lewis said that he was speaking
for Archibald Lewis. Mr. Sy-
phax wanted to know whether he
considered the Harmony burial
ground public or private property.
This question was put to John H.
Brooks, another self constituted
trustee, but the lot owners never
could obtain an answer from
either. Mr. Lewis went on fur-
ther to state that they had bor-
rowed \$2,000 from Mr. John F.
Cook to improve the grounds, but
instead of improving the grounds
they bought another piece of
ground. Mr. Syphax said that
he had no authority from the lot
owners to purchase any more
ground. Mr. Lewis said what the
board did was for the best interest
of the lot owners. Mr. Syphax
repeated by saying that the con-
dition of affairs had gone on about
long enough and that the people
did not intend to tolerate it.

Mr. Chase at this juncture of
the proceeding offered the follow-
ing preamble and resolution:
Whereas, at a prior meeting of
the lot owners of Harmony Ceme-
tery a certain number of gentle-
men were elected as a board of
trustees to conduct the interest of
said lot owners, and
Whereas, said trustees have
done nothing which entitle them
to the confidence of the said lot
owners, therefore
Be It Resolved, That the offices
of said trustees be, and are hereby
declared vacant, and that said lot
owners appoint a committee of
five with the power to file a bill
in Court of Equity and have all
matters adjusted.

Mr. Syphax offered an amend-
ment, which was accepted, to the
effect that the committee be ap-
pointed by the chair. Mr. Lewis
Cornish, one of the self constituted
trustees objected to the passage of
the resolution on the ground that
it would involve a law suit.

Mr. Syphax said a law suit was
the only thing that would give
the lot owners their rights.

Mr. John H. Brooks opposed
the resolution in a long speech

which was irrelevant to the ques-
tion under consideration. He was
asked by Mr. Stewart whether he
considered the Harmony Ceme-
tery, public or private property.

Mr. Brooks proceeded to tell
him some yarn about Oak Hill
Cemetery, which occupied about
20 minutes.

Mr. Lewis, another self consti-
tuted trustee opposed the passage
of the resolution, by saying that
there was an Irishman next to the
Harmony burial ground, who had
complained to the Commissioners
that certain Negroes had bought a
piece of land next to his and that
a Negro graveyard was to be there.
Mr. Syphax said the lot owners
had nothing to do with what the
Irishman said, what the lot own-
ers wanted was the Harmony
burial ground properly managed;
that such talk was idle wind.
Mr. Stewart left the chair and
criticized Mr. Lewis and this self
constituted board of trustees. No
answer to the

SIX THOUSAND

could be had from any member
of this star chamber board. Mr.
Lewis got on his dignity at a re-
mark made by Mr. Stewart and
informed him that if he called him
a liar he would hold him person-
ally responsible on the outside.
Mr. Stewart took no notice of the
slur.

Mr. Chase took the floor and
said if ever there was fraud prac-
tised upon an honest set of lot
owners it was demonstrated in the
action of certain gentlemen refus-
ing to answer questions propounded
to them. Every question has
been evaded by long winded
speeches irrelevant to the question
asked. Gentlemen have asked
what has become of the \$6,000;
and whether the Harmony Burial
ground was a private or public in-
stitution, but no response has been
made as yet. I am not surprised
at these gentlemen opposing the
passage of this resolution. What
has been done to entitle these few
self constituted trustees to the con-
fidence of the lot owners of Har-
mony cemetery? One year has
elapsed and this committee to
which was delegated certain pow-
ers have compromised the rights
and liberties of the lot owners by
a compromise of \$2,000 and now
come here and tell us that it was
the best that could be done. A com-
mittee of 10 men appointed at a
meeting in the year of '85 for the
purpose of looking into the affairs
of Harmony Cemetery attempts to
blind the people by subterfuges
and evasive answers. The com-
mittee as appointed consisted of
J. H. Brooks, Wm. Syphax, J.
W. Butler, J. A. Simms, J. A.
Smith, W. A. Wormley, J. F.
Cook, A. Lewis, L. A. Cornish
and W. C. Costin. A star cham-
ber meeting was held at the resi-
dence of Mr. Archie Lewis and
there a self constituted few con-
sisting of Messrs. Brooks, Cornish,
Lewis and Cook accepted the res-
ignation of the other members of
the committee that had been
elected at a meeting of lot owners
in the year of '85. One of the
committee, Mr. Syphax was ig-
nored entirely by these four gen-
tlemen. They tell us that they
compromised for 2,000 dollars and
bought another piece of land or
borrowed the money from Mr. J.
F. Cook, one of the original trust-
tees. Why were not these
grounds improved? Who author-
ized these men to borrow money
from one of the trustees? They
have usurped the power delegated
to them and have compromised
the interest of the lot owners.

Mr. Arthur Payne supported
the resolution in a speech and
thought it was time for the people
to act. Gilbert Gray moved to
lay the resolution on the table.
The motion was lost by a vote of
37 to 17. The question then re-
turned to the resolution which was
passed by 27 to 15. The chair
appointed the following under Mr.
Chase's resolution: Wm. Syphax,
W. Calvin Chase, W. H. Bruce,
Wm. Freeman, and Rev. Benjamin
Gant. On motion of Mr.
Chase Mr. Stewart was elected
ex officio member of the commit-
tee. There were about 110 lot

owners present, who were inform-
ed that they would be notified of
the progress of the newly appoint-
ed committee.

SOME NEGRO CHARACTER- ISTIC.

There used to be a great deal of
talk about the race dying out. But
however much the death of the
race has thus been encouraged by
modern political sage and prophet,
it seems that such an idea has never
entered into the calculations of
those most interested. The Negro
has multiplied and replenished
this part of the earth regardless of
cost, and, without the aid of fore-
ign emigration, he has actively
maintained the same relative nu-
merical power in this country with
which he started soon after the
Declarations of Independence—that
famous document to which the Ne-
gro is indebted with compound in-
terest for "life, liberty and the pur-
suit of happiness" before the war
and attended with so many pleas-
ant reminiscences.

His bank account is worthy of
notice. In 1860 the personal value
the Negro race was reckoned to be
worth enough money to buy any
eight states of the south. But in
the financial panic which happened
on the first day of January 1863
caused this peculiar class of stock
to fall to zero. There has never
been a Wall street panic to equal
it. And yet after this financial
panic the sufferers have been able
to regain their foothold and are
now estimated to be worth enough
to buy one state at least of the size
of Virginia.

Nobody knows exactly what the
Negro is worth. For the benefit of
his creditors, if for no other reason,
the census taker of 1890 should
keep a separate set of books to as-
certain how much coin the Negro
has juggling in his pocket.

His good nature is unbounded,
he can work all day, sinking as
light hearted as a big sun flower,
caring neither for rain nor shine.

Nor is there a lazy bone in his
body. He is so used to work that
it has now become second nature
with him. In olden times he received
such encouragement to "learn
to labor and to wait" that
this motto has been as a kind of
charm or talisman to buoy him up
to bear the burden and heat of the
day whether he is duly paid for it
or not, looking forward to the frolic;
corn shucking or other coming
events when, amid the wild plan-
tation songs and the dulcet bango
plinkings and the inspiring reels,
and local quadrills he can lose him-
self, temporarily, in the maze of
such desperate fun with a conscience
void of offense. If the Negro were
a quadruped he would be classed as
an ox on account of his capacity
for exhibiting patience and forbear-
ance, two of the Christian graces
mentioned by Saint Paul, of which
the ox may be proud.

His literary attainments have
been somewhat curtailed, partly be-
cause he has not had the spare
time to devote to such collateral
duties and because the laws of the
state in which he lives did not give
bounties to colored students. On
the other hand a gentle restriction
was placed upon him or a sort of
embargo was laid on him for fear
he might become too much wedded
to his books which would be in-
jurious to his health, the preservation
of which was worth from \$300 to
\$3000 to his affectionate guardian.
They say that times have changed
and that now the Negro is follow-
ing the advice of Dr. Ben. Frank-
lin who said, "empty your purse
into your brains and no one can
steal it."

His religious tendencies are not
to be left out. Not the cold lifeless
froth sewed out in fashionable
churches; but for red hot, old emo-
tional and aggressive religion the
Negro will take a front seat in the
rank of worshippers.

NOT COUNTED OUT.

The whole republican ticket of
Crittenden county, Ark., was
elected last week except the treas-
urer. The offices of clerk, judge,
coroner, assessor, and representa-
tive were secured by colored candi-
dates. David Furgerson was
elected clerk without any opposi-
tion. The black man and brother
is never counted out in Crittenden
county.—Gate City Press.

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